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1. In July 1951 the Chinese Communist Revolutionary Military Council (RMC) inaugurated a system of periodic reassignment for military personnel and political cadre members. The RMC regarded this system essential to building up a modernized national defense army. The provisions of the personnel reassignment plan are as follows:
  - a. Any military or political cadre member who has held the same position for a period of three years or more should be given a promotion or a transfer. Exceptions are to be made for persons who are engaged in national defense work or in specialized tasks.
  - b. Any military or political cadre member selected for promotion must first take training. Personnel of division level and above should be sent to a military college; those of regiment and battalion level should be sent to one of the senior infantry schools. Personnel below battalion level should be sent to one of the junior infantry schools; cadre members of specialized armed forces should be sent to schools establishment to give the specialized training required. Separate rules shall apply to infantry personnel of and above division level who are reassigned to posts in the specialized armed forces.
  - c. The following principles govern the personnel reassignment program:
    - (1) Personnel of the specialized armed forces, such as the air force, navy and artillery, must be highly trained to meet the needs of a modern national defense force.
    - (2) Cadre members of all levels must be trained to be well-rounded leaders by giving them diversified tasks in administrative as well as field situations.

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- (3) Personnel assigned to central offices must be reassigned to local offices to broaden their perspective.
- d. The period from July 1951 to June 1953 has been designated the trial period for the personnel reassignment program. At the expiration of this time, new personnel programs will be formulated in accordance with achievements attained during the trial period.
2. The following high-ranking military and political personnel were reassigned either just before or just after the personnel reassignment program went into effect:
- a. HSU Li-ch'ing (1776/4539/3237), political commissar of the 1 Army Group, has been promoted to head a department of the RMC.
  - b. HSU Kuang-ta (6079/0342/6671), commander of the 2 Army Group, has been promoted to commander of the Central Armored Force.
  - c. WANG Shih-t'ai (3769/0013/3141), political commissar of the 2 Army Group, has been appointed concurrently vice-minister of Railways.<sup>1</sup>
  - d. CH'EN Hsi-lien (7115/6932/5114), army group commander of the 2 Field Army, has been promoted to commander of the Central Artillery Force.
  - e. CHOU Hsi-han (0719/1585/3352), commander of the 13 Army, has been promoted to chief of staff of the Central Navy.<sup>2</sup>
  - f. CHOU Shih-ti (0719/1102/4574), commander of the 18 Army Group, has been promoted to head a department of the RMC.
  - g. SU Yu (4725/5940), deputy commander of the 3 Field Army, has been assigned concurrently as chief of staff of the RMC.
  - h. CHANG Ai-p'ing (1728/1947/5493), commander of the East China Navy, has been appointed commander of the 7 Army Group.<sup>3</sup>
  - i. CHANG Chen (1728/7201), chief of staff of the 3 Field Army, has been promoted to a post in the Department of Military Operations, RMC.<sup>4</sup>
  - j. CHAO Erh-lu (6392/3643/7120), chief of staff of the 4 Field Army, has been reassigned to the post of minister of the Second Ministry for Machine Industry.<sup>5</sup>
  - k. HUANG Yung-sheng (7806/3057/0524), deputy commander of the South China Military District, has been made chief of staff of the South China Military District.<sup>6</sup>
  - l. HSIAO Chin-kuang (5618/0513/0342), commander of the 12 Army Group, has been made commander of the Central Navy.
  - m. LO Shun-ch'u (5012/5293/0443), commander of the 38 Army, was first made chief of staff of the Central Navy and later its deputy commander.
  - n. T'ANG T'ien-chi (0781/1131/7139), political commissar of the 12 Army Group, has been promoted to commander of the Hunan Military District.
  - o. LAI Ch'uan-chu (6351/0278/3796), political commissar of the 15 Army Group, has been promoted to head a department of the RMC.
  - p. HSIAO Hsiang-jung (5618/0686/2837), deputy political commissar of the 15 Army Group, has been promoted to chief of the Executive Office of the RMC.
  - q. FANG Ch'iang (2455/1730), commander of the 44 Army, has been promoted to commander of the South China Navy.
  - r. WU K'o-hua (0720/0344/5478), commander of the 41 Army, has been promoted to deputy commander of the 15 Army Group.<sup>7</sup>

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3. The following is an additional list of military and political personnel who were transferred during the past year:
- a. WANG Pi-ch'eng (3769/1801/2052), deputy commander of the 7 Army Group, has been promoted to commander of the 7 Army Group.<sup>8</sup>
  - b. KUO Hua-jo (6753/0553/5387), political commissar of the 9 Army Group, has been promoted to commander of the East China Public Security Force.<sup>9</sup>
  - c. CH'ENG Chun-sheng (2052/6874/0581), deputy commander of the 10 Army Group, has been promoted to a post in the East China Air Command.
  - d. WAN I (5502/3015), commander of the Specialized Army Group, 4 Field Army, was promoted to deputy commander of the Central Artillery Force and later reassigned to the post of vice minister of the Second Ministry for Machine Industry.<sup>5</sup>
  - e. MO Wen-hui (5459/2429/6540), political commissar of the 13 Army, has been promoted to deputy political commissar of the Northeast Military Area.
  - f. HO Chin-nien (6320/2516/1628), deputy commander of the Kiangsi Military District, has been promoted to deputy commander of the Northeast Military Area.<sup>10</sup>

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1. Comment. The Chinese Communists announced on 16 August 1951 that WANG Shih-t'ai was political commissar of the Ministry of Railways.

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2. Comment. Presumably the source means the headquarters of the Chinese Communist Naval Command.

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3. Comment. CHANG Ai-p'ing has been appointed chief of staff of the 3 Field Army.

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- Comment. CHANG had been transferred to the RMC in Peiping by August 1952 and was awaiting reassignment. 25X1

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4. Comment. CHANG Chen was head of the War Operations Section of the RMC on 1 June 1950. 25X1

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5. Comment. Announcement of the institution of this Ministry was made by the Chinese Communists on 10 August 1952.

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6. Comment. HUANG Yung-sheng was deputy commander of the Kwangsi Military District in May 1952. 25X1

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7. Comment. WU K'o-hua was commander of the East Kwangtung Garrison District in early May 1952. 25X1

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8. Comment. WANG Pi-ch'eng was appointed commander of the Chekiang Military District on 20 July 1952. 25X1

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9. Comment. KUO Hua-jo was commander of the Public Security Forces of East China in September 1951. 25X1

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10. Comment. The Chinese Communists announced on 20 September 1950 that HO Chin-nien was deputy commander of the Northeast Military Area.

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